

Case CM-2038

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of

**MICHAEL DAVID BELL, ET AL.**

Serial No. 09/890,921

Filed August 7, 2001

Confirmation No 1887

Group Art Unit 1615

Examiner Blessing M. Fubara

For: LEAVE-ON COSMETIC COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING A CATIONIC POLYMER

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTIONUNDER 37 CFR § 1.116DATED DECEMBER 17, 2002*141 d (ne)  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 17, 2002, Applicants hereby submit the following.

INTRODUCTION

Applicants' Agent wishes to thank the Examiner for examining the above-identified Application. Claims 1-6 and 10-15 are pending in the Application, Claims 1-6 and 10-15 have been rejected.

This response fully addresses each and every issue raised in the Final Office Action dated December 17, 2002. A detailed discussion of each issue is provided in the sections which follow.

AMENDMENTSIn the Claims

Please amend claim 1 to read as follows:

(Twice Amended) A leave-on cosmetic composition suitable for topical application to the skin comprising:

- a) a polyacrylamide polymer having a number average molecular weight of greater than 20,000 and;

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a RESPONSE/AMENDMENT for the patent application:

Inventor(s): Bell et al. Confirmation No. 1887

Serial No.: 09/890,921 Group Art Unit: 1615

Date Filed: 8/07/2001 Examiner: Blessing M. Fubara

Title: Leave-On Cosmetic Compositions Containing A Cationic Polymer

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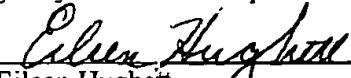
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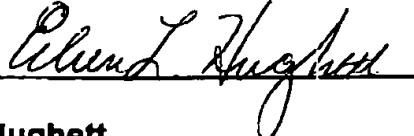
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